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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chairman, ICRS
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Chairman, DBWG
Chairman, SDWG

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SUBJECT:

Projection of Items for COMIREX Agenda
During Next Two or Three Months

1. We have reviewed a fairly impressive array of papers containing references to work in process by your subcommittees or working groups or briefings which COMIREX is to receive in the early part of 1969. I would refer you also to COMIREX-D-13.16/1, USIB-D-46.4/12, with particular reference to Tab A of the USIB paper. This sets forth the timetable for the preparation of the financial program for NRO. Between the 1st and the 28th of February, NRO must come up with its recommendation for the ensuing year including four-year launch schedules for long-lead considerations. To support this it will be necessary for COMIREX to study the present and projected launch schedules and to estimate whether they will meet our requirements as we envisage them over this period. I hope to have an estimate of the launch schedule for our staff meeting on 6 January.

2. It occurs to me that this consideration of launch schedules now makes it necessary for us to revise our search requirement so that it may be realistic in terms of photographing "holidays" and still permit coverage of targets requiring surveillance by a middle

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